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Title: A PROCESS FOR MAKING CHEMICALLY STABLE C-17/21 OH 20-KETOSTEROID AEROSOL PRODUCTS

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, enclosed is a completed Form PTO-1449 citing references submitted for consideration by the Examiner. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.98(d), copies of the references are not enclosed as they can be found in the file of the parent case, U.S. Application No. 09/970,746, filed October 4, 2001.

Also, we have been informed that an Italian company, Chiesi Farmaceutici, filed on May 23, 2001, US application Serial No. 09/831,888 as a National Stage of PCT/EP99/09002 (see also US 2003/0089369 A1, enclosed for your convenience), filed on November 23, 1999, claiming Italian priorities of November 25, 1998 and July 30, 1999. Applicant has been informed by Chiesi that on November 8, 2002, Chiesi filed a US continuation application of Serial No. 09/831,888 presenting claims to provoke an interference with related US Patent 6,315,985, which issued on the grand parent application to the present case.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to indicate that each reference has been considered.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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